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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please amend the accompanying verified English language translation of the German language text of PCT/EP2005/051458, filed March 31, 2005; published as WO 2005/095245 A1 on October 13, 2005, and claiming priority to DE 10 2004 015 963.7 filed April 1, 2004, the verified translation forming the entire specification and claims of the subject U.S. patent application, as filed, prior to the calculation of the filing fee, and prior to an examination of the application on the merits, as follows.